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DYSFUNCTION

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 6, 2007, Applicants hereby elect, from the Markush groups recited in claims 47 and 53, the species of an adenoviral associated vector. All of the pending claims are readable on the elected species, except the non-elected species from the Markush groups recited in claims 47 and 53.

Respectfully submitted,

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